## **NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

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Report to Congress on Abnormal Occurrences: Fiscal Year 2021, Dissemination of Information

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: NUREG; issuance.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing NUREG-0090, Volume 44, "Report to Congress on Abnormal Occurrences: Fiscal Year 2021." The report describes those events that the NRC or an Agreement State identified as abnormal occurrences (AOs) during fiscal year (FY) 2021, based on the criteria defined by the Commission. The report describes six events at Agreement State-licensed facilities and two events at NRC-licensed facilities.

**DATES:** NUREG-0090, Volume 44, is available **[INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 208 of the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974, as amended (Pub. L. 93-438), defines an "abnormal occurrence" as an unscheduled incident or event that the NRC determines to be significant from the standpoint of public health or safety. The FY 2021 AO report, NUREG-0090, Volume 44, "Report to Congress on Abnormal Occurrences: Fiscal Year 2021" (ADAMS Accession No. ML22213A019), describes those events that the NRC identified as AOs during FY 2021.

This report describes six events involving Agreement State licensees and two events involving NRC licensees. Seven of the AOs occurred at medical facilities and the other event occurred at the National Institute of Standards and Technology Center for Neutron Research.

The NRC identified no events at NRC-licensed facilities during FY 2021 that met the guidelines for inclusion in Appendix B, "Other Events of Interest."

No events met the guidelines for inclusion in Appendix C, "Updates of Previously Reported Abnormal Occurrences."

Agreement States are the 39 U.S. States that currently have entered into formal

agreements with the NRC pursuant to Section 274 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as

amended (AEA), to regulate certain quantities of AEA-licensed material at facilities

located within their borders.

The Federal Reports Elimination and Sunset Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-68)

requires that AOs be reported to Congress annually. The full report, NUREG-0090,

Volume 44, "Report to Congress on Abnormal Occurrences: Fiscal Year 2021," is also

available electronically at the NRC's public website at https://www.nrc.gov/reading-

rm/doc-collections/nuregs/staff.

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For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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Secretary of the Commission.

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